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CHINESE WORKER'S DIARY
DESCRIBES VISIT TO USSR

(Chinese editor's note -- This article consists of selections from the diary of Feng Ku-kuei, a worker in a T'ien-ching flour mill, who was a delegate to the Second Congress of the World Federation of Trade Unions.)

Moscow, 7 August 1949 -- Today is Sunday, a rest day for workers in all industries. At 1000 hours I went to see the Museum of Technical Sciences. In the fuels department, there were units of the latest machines for producing coal, kerosene, gasoline, etc. In the textiles department we saw the newest spinning and weaving machines, all of which were automatic; one worker could attend to the operation of 280 machines. In the radio department there were large and small receiving instruments, recording instruments, portable receiving sets, color television sets which can reproduce theatrical performances 80 kilometers away, and various record players which could automatically change the records. All of these new Russian inventions may soon be seen by everybody in the world. Everything I saw today impressed me a great deal. Only in a socialist nation can people create such inventions and display such ingenuity.

19 August 1949 -- Arrived at Tula at 1000 hours, to see the Tula coal mines. Was met by the chairman of the trade union and the chief of the Coal Mine Administration. A technician from the Administration showed me various installations and told me the history of this mine. Then I was taken to the miners' recreation room, children's recreation room, kindergarten, and the boys' camp which are attached to this mine. In the afternoon, we went down in the shaft, and saw everything, from digging and sorting to transporting, completely mechanized and automatically operated.

The technician who took us down to the shaft remarked that the shafts are always kept so clean that the air inside is as clean as the air outside. The shafts are illuminated as bright as daylight. The iron beams they use completely

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eliminate all danger of collapse. Soon we came to the workers quarters. They are like large hotels in China, clean and convenient. They are furnished with sofas, beds, radios, and have attractive reception rooms. We returned to the recreation room to eat, and there I was encouraged by the Russian comrades and assured of assistance in the construction of a prosperous new China. Next day at daybreak, I reached Moscow.

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